



The Recovery Month Web Event Season Continues With:

## "Treatment and Recovery: Reducing the Burden on the Justice System and Society" Premieres Thursday, July 5, 2007

In a 2002 report, nearly 1.7 million of the 2 million adult Americans in prison or jail were seriously involved with drugs or alcohol. Luckily, approximately 73 percent of local jails provide drug treatment or recovery programs. Various justice systems provide a variety of services and programs such as individual, family, and juvenile drug courts; jail diversion programs; and counseling services.

Join Ivette Torres, Associate Director for Consumer Affairs, Center for Substance Abuse Treatment (CSAT), Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration (SAMHSA), U.S. Department of Health and Human Services (HHS) and a panel of experts to examine the relationship between addiction treatment and recovery and the criminal justice system. This program will focus on both the practical and economic benefits to society from treating substance abuse and dependence issues surrounding the criminal justice system.

## Panelists include:

- Morris Williams, Case Manager, Court Services & Offender Supervision Agency
- Melody Heaps, President, Treatment Alternative for Safe Communities, Inc (TASC)
- Robert Ayers Jr., Warden, San Quentin State Prison
- Roger Peters, Ph.D., Chair and Professor, Department of Mental Health Law and Policy, University of South Florida

The Webcast will be archived for viewing at http://www.recoverymonth.gov/2007- multimedia section.

